In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 21, second paragraph:

When aiming for an application-specific, exact color reproduction according to the invention, attention is also paid to the spectral characteristics of the grating substrate and the other possible background material. Because the color of a colored substrate or a colored background visible through a transparent substrate is diffractively added to the diffractively produced mixed color, this phenomenon can be taken into account when determining the mutual relationships of the primary colors in order to ensure exact color reproduction. Thus, the final target color is formed of the color mixed from primary colors and the color of the background added to it. Here, according to the invention, the spectral transparency of the diffractive component itself and, if required, its transparent substrate should also be considered, which affect how said background "is visible" through the component in question and its substrate while mixing with the color produced by the components.